

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

Waukegan Park District Summer 2017 Parks Green Space and Picnic Pavilion Rental Permits Available Now!

Waukegan, IL (March 2, 2017) ... The Waukegan Park District has ideal outdoor sites for get-togethers. Park Use Permits and Pavilion Rental Applications are now available and being accepted for the upcoming 2017 season. Park Use Permits help the District accommodate groups and ensure guests have a pleasant, safe, and enjoyable park experience. Applications are processed in the order in which they are received.

Applications for Picnic Pavilion Rentals and Green Space Permits can be downloaded from the website (www.waukeganparks.org). Return the completed application in person to the Belvidere Recreation Center, (BRC) 412 South Lewis Avenue. BRC is open Monday thru Friday, 4-8pm and Saturdays from 9am-2pm. Proof of residency and identification are required and rental fees as well as security deposits must accompany the completed application. For more information, please call 847-360-4700 or visit the website (www.waukeganparks.org) to review the 2017 Waukegan Park District Park Use Permit Guide & Application.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 48 sites and more than 735 acres of land, including the 18-hole Bonnie Brook and 9-hole Greenshire Golf Courses. Properties are managed to the highest environmental and conservation standards. Facilities operated by the district include the Field House Sports and Fitness Center, the Jack Benny Center for the Arts, the Waukegan SportsPark, the Waukegan Skate Park, the Waukegan BMX Track, recreational centers, an outdoor swimming pool, disc golf course, dog exercise area and agility course,

outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and sports courts including basketball, tennis and pickleball. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages, from infants to seniors as well as special needs populations. Healthy lifestyles, wellness initiatives, and a connection with the outdoors and nature are integrated throughout programs, services, and special events. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorus, and the Waukegan History Museum. There is something for everyone! The award-winning District employs 61 full-time and over 230 part-time, year round, seasonal, and temporary employees. The District is a member of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD), and Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA). The district maintains national accreditation from the NRPA Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) Distinguished Agency accreditation and Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) accreditation and maintains a Level A Loss Control Program. The district was a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012 and 2013, and awarded the NRPA National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management in 2013.

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